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For: SIGNAL RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, SIGNAL REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD, MEDIUM, AND INFORMATION ASSEMBLY

Enclosed are (in addition to the specification):

- 9 sheets of drawing.
- An assignment of the invention to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- Applicant is entitled to small entity status.
- The benefit of priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 1.119.
- Preliminary Amendment.

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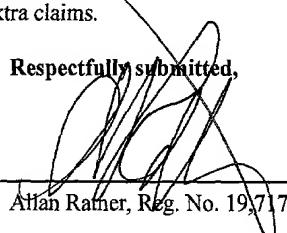
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